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APPROVED BY ARA - JGRUNWALD  
ARA/AND - MR. DEVINE  
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TO AMEMBASSY QUITO IMMEDIATE  
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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: BD;S, ENRG, EINV, EC

SUBJECT: ADA CASE

REF: QUITO 00275

1. COUNTRY OFFICER FOR ECUADOR ALLITTO TELEPHONED GIST OF  
REFTTEL TO ADA VICE PRESIDENT LASSITER ON JANUARY 14, AT  
WHICH TIME LASSITER SAID HE WOULD HAVE SOME GOOD NEWS TO  
REPORT ON JANUARY 17. THAT NEWS TURNED OUT TO BE ADA'S  
SALE OF ALL ITS INTERESTS IN ECUADOR TO OKC PETROLEUM  
INTERNATIONAL, INC., EFFECTIVE JANUARY 14.

2. LASSITER DID NOT WANT TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE  
FUTURE AND OKC'S POSSIBLE ACTIONS, REFERRING SUCH QUESTIONS  
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TO OKC. THE ONLY QUESTION HE DID ANSWER CONCERNED ADA'S  
COURT CASE AGAINST NORTHWEST INDUSTRIES, WHICH HE SAID  
WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE DROPPED AT THIS TIME. HE SAID THAT  
IT WOULD BE UP TO OKC TO DECIDE HOW TO PROCEED WITH THAT  
MATTER.

3. COMMENT: THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT THIS IS GOOD NEWS

BECAUSE IT MAY MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE GOE TO DEAL WITH THIS  
LONG-STANDING IRRITANT IN GOE-USG RELATIONS. THE DEPART-  
MENT WOULD WELCOME ANY CONFIRMATORY INFORMATION THE EMBASSY

MAY HAVE AS WELL AS THE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT, PREDICTIONS  
FOR 1977 IN LIGHT OF THIS DEVELOPMENT, AND OPINION CON-  
CERNING THE ADVISABILITY OF A MEETING BETWEEN DEPUTY  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY GRUNWALD AND OKC PRESIDENT CLOYCE BOX  
TO DISCUSS OKC'S PLANS.  
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